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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Carter

I understand that John Gross will assume shortly a new position and that you are currently considering the other personnel and possible organizational changes which will be in order.

With regard to organization, I think it would be timely to reconsider the question of whether some of the components which now make up the Comptroller organization should be incorporated in the Support structure.

By removing the Comptroller, the General Counsel, and the Audit Staff from the Support structure on 1 April 1962, we removed most of the control functions and left the DD/S as a more truly service and support organization. In principle I think this was a good decision; however, many suggested to me then and have suggested to me since that a better functional arrangement would have been to leave the non-control elements-- generally the Fiscal, Finance, and Industrial Contract Audit Divisions--in the Support organization. They believe the Comptroller might be more effective with the smaller organization and that these Divisions could be better coordinated by the DD/S along with the other Support offices. In the field of personnel management I am sure that this arrangement would have some advantages and would enhance the development of well-rounded support teams with a strong financial ingredient.

The proposition, however, is not a simple one and, if you wish to consider it, I suggest that you appoint someone to study it in some depth and submit their recommendations to you.

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